



Wildlife Biology Intern

The National Park Service is conducting inventory and monitoring surveys for several wildlife species in the Santa Monica Mountains. Projects will assess the effects of habitat fragmentation/urban encroachment on diversity and abundance of reptiles and amphibians, small mammals, and habitat usages and diet of large and medium carnivores.

Major Duties: (You will increase skills in, or learn to)

- Handle reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates, small mammals through pitfall trapping.
- Conduct stream surveys for breeding amphibians and invasive aquatic species (seasonal).
- Collect, carefully record, and verify data.
- May assist with bobcat radio telemetry, road kill surveys, scat collection, and camera trap maintenance.

Requirements

- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident of the United States
- College students and recent graduates are eligible.
- Educational interest and experience in Biology, Ecology or Environmental Studies.
- Comfortable working in rough terrain, such as dense chaparral or deep streams.
- Some previous field experience is desirable.
- Knowledge of Excel and Access is helpful.
- Ability to work well both independently and as part of a team, be detail-oriented and organized.
- Good oral and written communication skills and ability to follow oral or written directions.
- Valid driver's license is required.
- Must have own transportation to and from worksite. Government vehicles are available for intern use within the scope of their internship.
- Background check and/or fingerprint check will be required.

Work Period:

- Commitment of 4 to 6 months, full time. Weekday work schedule, although specific schedules may vary, and occasional weekend work may be needed.

Compensation

- A stipend of \$20 per workday is usually available.
- Intern will be paid monthly or as worked out by the intern supervisor.
- Full time interns from outside the area may be eligible for shared housing.

How to Apply

To apply, submit the following documents via email to ryan_stead@nps.gov.

- Letter of intent (include how the position will benefit your career, the dates you are available, whether you need housing, your understanding that this internship is unpaid, except for the stipend, and that you have your own vehicle for transportation to and from work)
- Resume
- Transcripts (unofficial are acceptable)
- Three references

For additional questions contact ryan_stead@nps.gov.

